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In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, and in recognition of their duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office relevant information known to be material to patentability, Applicants herewith submit a copy of the prior art listed on the attached Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449), including English abstracts where needed. The statement is not a representation that all of the information cited is necessarily effective as prior art against the application.

Applicants respectfully request that the disclosed reference be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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